



VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

The Department of Health received a Civil Service Commission decision on August 26, 2020 approving interim appointments for Unclassified Service positions within the Department of Health for an interim Public Health Recovery Division, Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity Enhancing Detection. This interim division is currently established and is expected to remain operational until December 30, 2025.

Title Research Scientist 2 [Unclassified]			Salary P28 \$78,283.00 - \$111,555.82
Posting Number E99-22	Position Number 962033	Number of Positions 1	Posting Period * From: 01/21/2022 To: 07/31/2022
Location: Division of Epidemiology, Environmental and Occupational Health Communicable Disease Service 135 E. State Street, 2nd Floor Trenton, NJ 08625			Scope of Eligibility/Open to: Applicants who Meet the Requirements
GENERAL DESCRIPTION			
<p>Under the direction of the Communicable Disease Service (CDS), serve as an Epidemiologist on the Infection Control Assessment & Response (ICAR) Team within the Infection Control, Healthcare, & Environmental Epidemiology Section. This position will work as part of a team of Research Scientists, Health Data Specialists, Nursing Consultants and other technical staff. This individual will be responsible for facilitating SARS-CoV-2 focused outbreak assessments, collecting and analyzing data to identify ways to improve prevention and control of COVID-19. Research findings will expand the scientific knowledge of COVID-19 prevention, transmission, and control, and be used to guide New Jersey pandemic response recommendations and ICAR Resource development. This individual will oversee and guide team members on the identification of research metrics and methods to track the incidence and prevalence of COVID-19 in various settings throughout the state including healthcare facilities, long-term care facilities, and other settings. The individual will be current on national and federal guidance for infection prevention and control and will contribute to the updating of COVID-19 related guidance documents.</p>			
REQUIREMENTS (EDUCATION / EXPERIENCE / LICENSES)			
<p>EDUCATION: Graduation from an accredited college or university with a Master's degree in a discipline appropriate to the position.</p> <p>EXPERIENCE: Three (3) years of full-time experience in a field appropriate to the position.</p> <p>NOTE: A Doctorate in a discipline appropriate to the position may be substituted for two (2) years of experience indicated above.</p> <p>LICENSE: Appointees will be required to possess a valid driver's license valid in New Jersey only if the operation of a vehicle, rather than employee mobility, is necessary to perform the essential duties of the position.</p>			
IMPORTANT FILING INSTRUCTIONS			
<p>If interested in this position, you can reply in one of two ways:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Forward the required documents electronically to: PSTEEOH@doh.nj.gov• Mail the required documents to: Steven Bors, Executive Assistant 4 Epid., Environmental and Occupational Health Reference Posting #E99-22 New Jersey Department of Health PO Box 369 Trenton, NJ 08625-0369 <p>Required documents:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• cover letter• resume• completed application, found at: http://www.nj.gov/health/forms/dpf-663.pdf <p><i>* Responses received after the closing date MAY be considered if the position is not filled.</i></p>			

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- *Newly hired employees must agree to a thorough background check that will include fingerprinting.*
 - *If you are a candidate for a position in our Public Health and Environmental Laboratories, you may be subject to pre- and/or post-employment alcohol and drug testing.*
 - *If you are a candidate for a position that involves direct client care in one of the State facilities/programs, you may be subject to pre- and/or post-employment drug testing/screening. The cost of any pre-employment testing will be at the candidate's expense. Candidates with a positive drug test result, or those who refuse to be tested and/or cooperate with the testing requirement, will not be hired.*
 - *In compliance with federal law, all persons hired will be required to verify identity and eligibility to work in the United States and to complete the required employment eligibility verification form upon hire.*
 - *In accordance with N.J.S.A. 52:14-7, the "New Jersey First Act", all employees must reside in the State of New Jersey, unless exempted under the law. If you do not live in New Jersey, you have one year after you begin employment to relocate your residence to New Jersey.*
 - **The New Jersey Department of Health is an Equal Opportunity Employer.**
 - *RESUME NOTE: Applicants who possess foreign degrees (degrees earned outside of the U.S.) are required to provide an evaluation indicating the U.S. equivalency prior to the closing date. Failure to do so may result in your ineligibility.*